

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Xiangjun Wang)	For: Patterning Method
Serial No. 10/519,899)	Group Art Unit: 2854
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DECLARATION OF XIANGJUN WANG PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.131

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Xiangjun Wang hereby states as follows:

- 1. I am the inventor of the subject matter claimed in the aboveidentified patent application.
- 2. I have been informed that the above-referenced application, U.S. Application Serial No. 10/519,899, was filed July 7, 2003 ("the application"), and that the application claims priority from Great Britain application serial number 0215858.2, filed July 9, 2002 ("the priority application").
- 3. I have also been informed that U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0215723 to Bearinger *et al.* (hereinafter, "Bearinger"), which has an earliest effective U.S. filing date of April 19, 2002, was cited against claims 13 and 14 of the application.
- 4. I make this declaration for the purpose of providing evidence that the patterning methods, as recited in claims 13 and 14, were conceived in Sweden (a WTO country) at least as early as April 19, 2002, and subsequent to December 31, 1995.
- 5. I also make this declaration to provide evidence that I diligently worked with patent counsel toward filing a patent application with the Great Britain

Patent and Trademark Office from a time at least as early as April 19, 2002, until the priority application filing date of July 9, 2002.

- 6. To establish that claims 13 and 14 were conceived at least as early as April 19, 2002, I provide evidence in the form of a draft patent application ("the draft application") and a letter from the British Patent Law firm of Page White and Farrer enclosing same, which are attached hereto as Exhibit "A." The examiner is specifically directed to claims 10 and 11 and the last paragraph on page 20 through the first full paragraph on page 21 of the draft application.
- 7. The draft application was received by Cambridge Display Technology's IP Department in Great Britain (another WTO country) at least as early as April 19, 2002, and subsequent to December 31, 1995. The attachments have been reducted to remove date information.
- 8. To establish diligence from a time from a time at least as early as April 19, 2002, until the priority application filing date of July 9, 2002, I assert, upon knowledge, information, and belief, that additional attorney time was spent to prepare the application during this period, and that the period also included review of the draft application by me.
- 9. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-referenced patent application and any patent issued therefrom.

Date: 070520

By Xiangjun Wang